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Dear Examiner Solak:

Per our telephone conversations of February 4, 2005, attached is a proposed amendment to the claims, which is submitted for discussion purposes only.

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